

# Overview of TSUNAMI



*Tools for Sensitivity and UNcertainty Analysis Methodology Implementation*



# What is TSUNAMI?

- Tools for Sensitivity and UNcertainty Aalysis  
Methodology Implementation
- TSUNAMI utilizes first-order-linear perturbation theory to produce the sensitivities of a computed  $k_{\text{eff}}$  value to constituent cross-section data.
- The energy-dependent sensitivity data for each reaction of each nuclide in a system model can be quickly computed using TSUNAMI's 1-D and 3-D analysis tools.
- These sensitivity data can be coupled with cross-section-covariance data to produce an uncertainty in  $k_{\text{eff}}$  due to uncertainties in the evaluated nuclear data.
- Provides an advanced method to assess system similarity based on sensitivity and uncertainty data.



# TSUNAMI Development History

- Current ORNL work in sensitivity and uncertainty (S/U) analysis began in 1997
- ORNL had previously performed much S/U work in fast reactor analysis in 1970s – 1980s (FORSS)
  - Eigenvalue and generalized perturbation theory
  - Depletion perturbation theory
  - Shielding
- Foundation for current work presented in NUREG/CR-6655 documents, 1999 (3-year NRC funding)
- Three-dimensional Monte Carlo capability developed in 1999 (3-year EMSP funding)
- Additional research is ongoing (DOE NCSP, DOE EM, NRC)



# Perturbation Theory

The relative change in  $k$  due to a small perturbation in a macroscopic cross section,  $\Sigma$ , of the transport operator at some point in phase space  $r$  can be expressed as

$$S_{k, \Sigma(\vec{r})} \equiv \frac{\Sigma(\vec{r})}{k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial \Sigma(\vec{r})} = - \frac{\Sigma(\vec{r})}{k} \frac{\left\langle \phi^\dagger(\vec{\xi}) \left( \frac{\partial A[\Sigma(\vec{\xi})]}{\partial \Sigma(\vec{r})} - \frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial B[\Sigma(\vec{\xi})]}{\partial \Sigma(\vec{r})} \right) \phi(\vec{\xi}) \right\rangle}{\left\langle \phi^\dagger(\vec{\xi}) \frac{1}{k^2} B[\Sigma(\vec{\xi})] \phi(\vec{\xi}) \right\rangle}$$

where

$\phi$  = neutron flux;

$\phi^\dagger$  = adjoint neutron flux

$k = k_{\text{eff}}$ , the largest of the eigenvalues

$A$  = operator that represents all of the transport equation except for the fission term

$B$  = operator that represents the fission term of the transport equation

$\Sigma$  = problem-dependent resonance self-shield macroscopic cross sections

$\vec{\xi}$  = phase space vector; and

$\langle \rangle$  indicate integration over space, direction and energy variables.



# TSUNAMI-3D Sequence

- Eigenvalue perturbation theory calculations based on KENO V.a multigroup Monte Carlo transport.
- Problem-dependant resonance self-shielded cross sections and implicit effect computed with 1D continuous energy transport code – CENTRMST.
- Cross section processing, forward and adjoint transport calculations, sensitivity coefficient generation and uncertainty analysis automatically run from a single input.





# TSUNAMI-3D Sequence

- Uses 3D Monte Carlo calculations (KENO V.a) to score spherical harmonic moments of forward and adjoint flux:

$$\tilde{\phi}_{g,i}' = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K Y'(\Omega_{\mathbf{k}}) w_k T_{k,i}}{V_i \sum_{k=1}^K w_k}$$

**tracklength estimator  
for  $\ell_{\text{th}}$  moment, in  
group-g, interval-i**

- Folds forward and adjoint moments to produce nuclide, energy & cross section dependent sensitivity profiles by spatial zone:

**sensitivity  
coefficient for  
capture**

$$S_{c,g}(z) \cong -\frac{\sigma_{c,g}}{D} \left\langle \Phi(\mathbf{r}, E, \Omega) \Phi^*(\mathbf{r}, E, \Omega) \right\rangle$$
$$\rightarrow -\frac{\sigma_{c,g}}{D} \sum_{i \in z} \sum_{\lambda} \tilde{\phi}_{g,i}^{\lambda} \tilde{\phi}_{g,i}^{*\lambda} V_i$$



# Complete Sensitivity Coefficient Includes Effects of Changes in Self-Shielded Cross Sections

- The **“explicit”** effect is sensitivity of  $k_{eff}$  to changes in multigroup cross sections appearing transport equation
- The **“implicit”** effect is sensitivity of  $k_{eff}$  to cross section perturbations caused by changes in self-shielding
  - **Example:** perturbation in  $\sigma^{(H)}$  changes self-shielded  $\sigma^{(U238)}$  => cross section data may be sensitive to changes in other data

$$S_{\alpha_x; \alpha_j} = \frac{\alpha_j}{\alpha_x} \frac{\partial \alpha_x}{\partial \alpha_j}$$

$\alpha_x$  = shielded cross section

$\alpha_j$  = data used in resonance calculation

- The implicit effect can be propagated to  $k_{eff}$  via the chain rule for derivatives and combined with the explicit to form the complete sensitivity coefficient.



# Improved Results by Including Implicit Effect

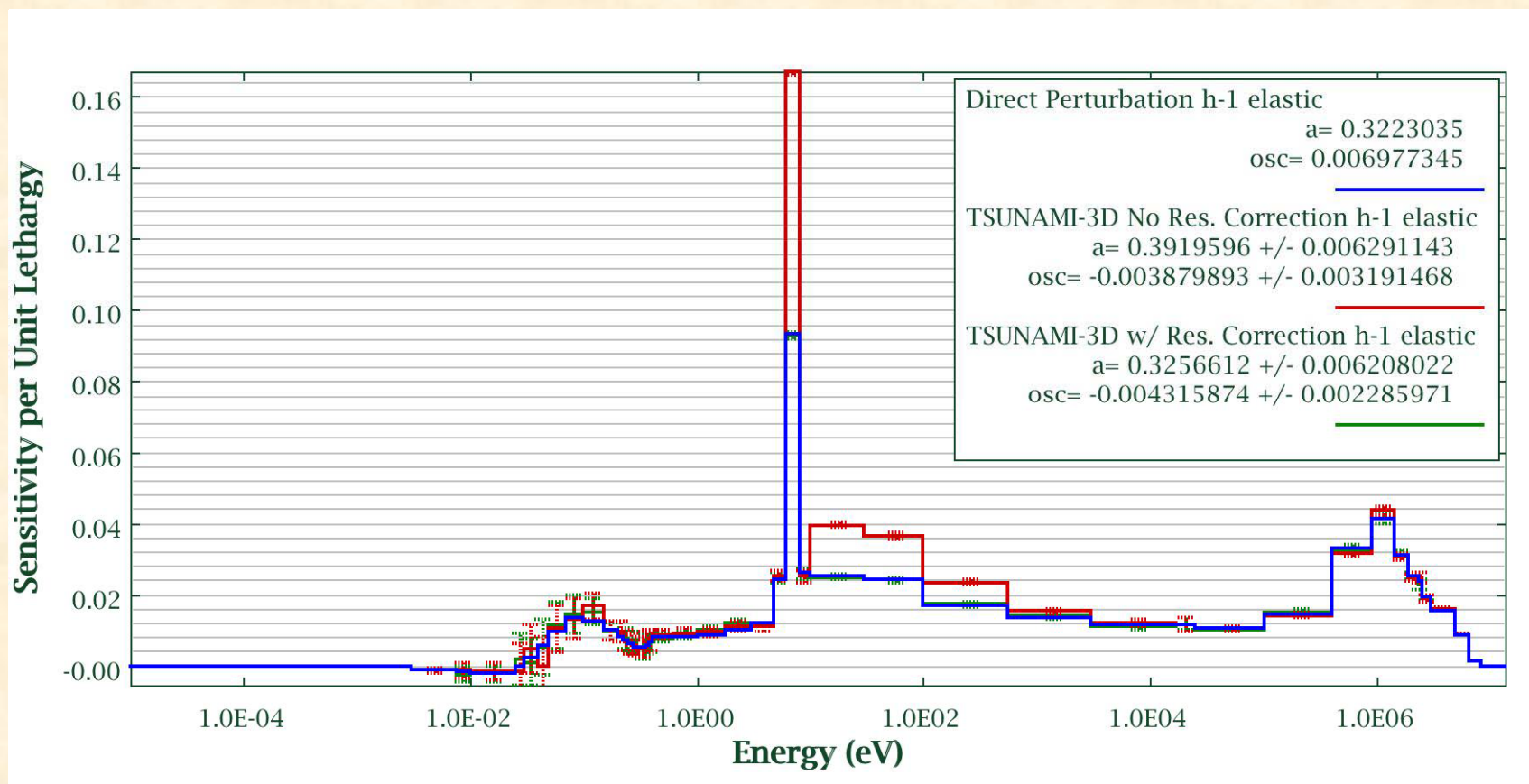
U(2)F<sub>4</sub> “Green Blocks” critical experiment  
H/X = 294

Nuclide	Reaction	Direct Perturbation Sensitivity	TSUNAMI Sensitivity	% Diff.	TSUNAMI Sensitivity (no implicit)	% Diff.
<sup>1</sup> H	total	0.22	0.22	0%	0.29	27%
<sup>19</sup> F	total	0.04	0.04	0%	0.05	18%
<sup>235</sup> U	total	0.25	0.25	0%	0.25	0%
<sup>238</sup> U	total	-0.21	-0.21	0%	-0.29	39%



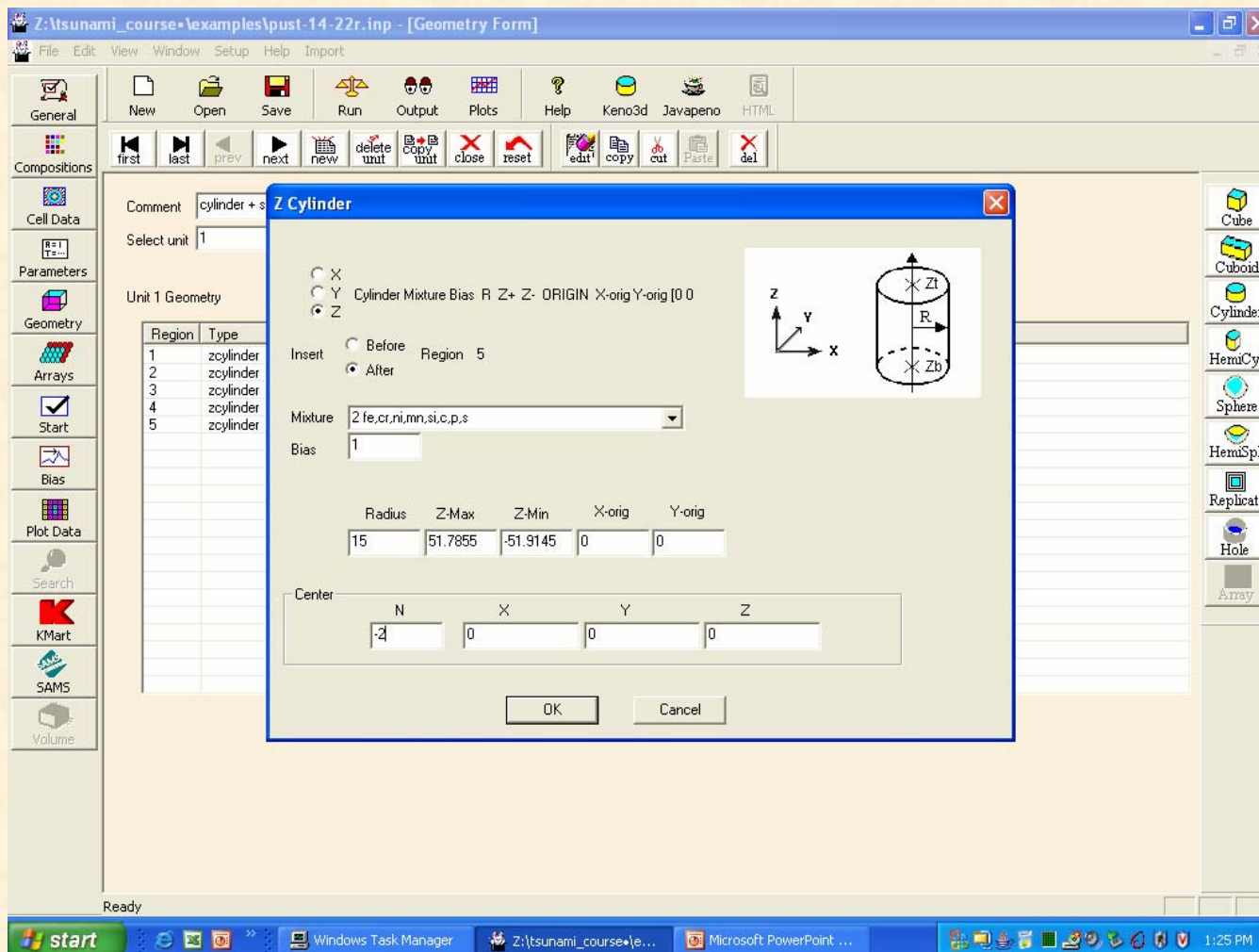


# Sensitivity for $^1\text{H}$ Elastic, with Implicit Effect



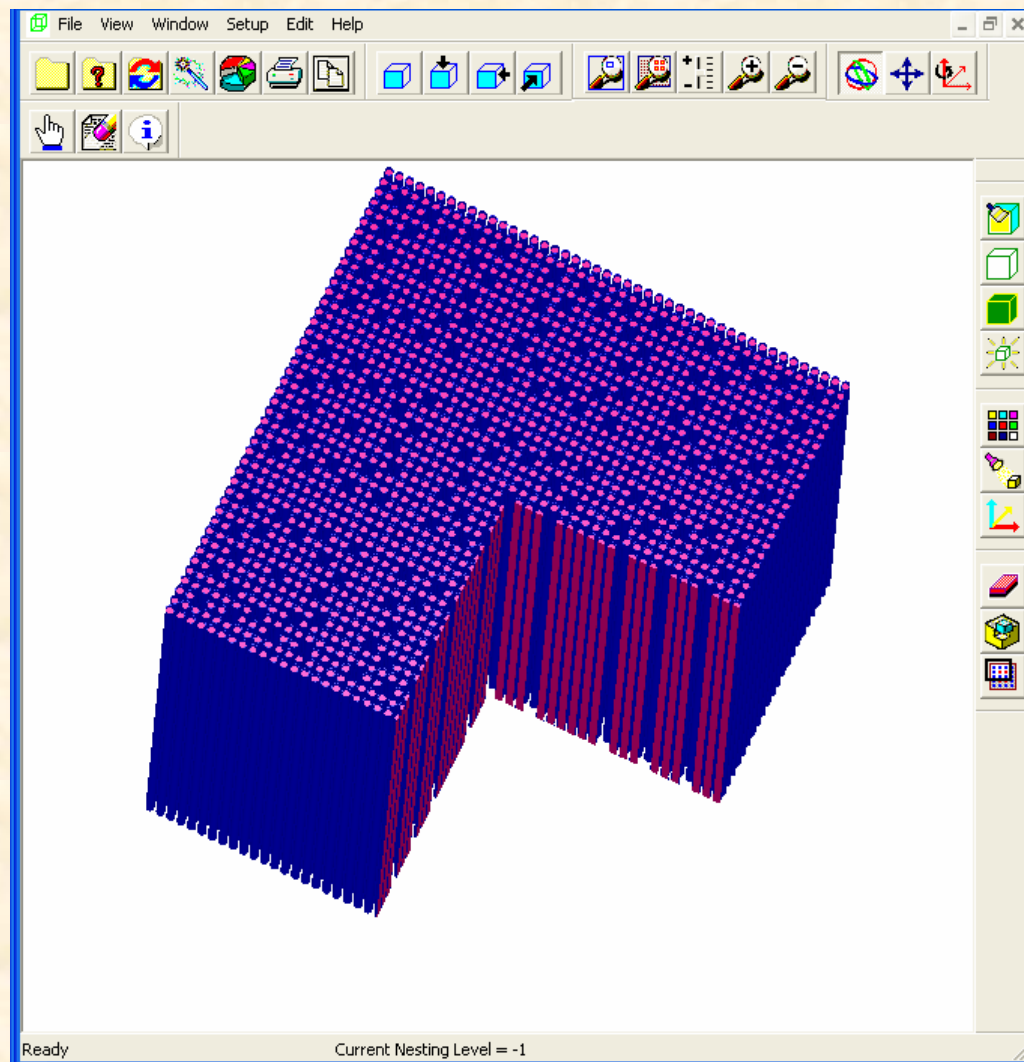


# GeeWiz Input GUI - TSUNAMI-3D





# KENO3D Model Visualization





# HTML Output

## General Information

## Input Data

## Results

- Energy, Region and Mixture Integrated Sensitivity Coefficients for this Problem
- Energy and Region Integrated Sensitivity Coefficients for this Problem
- Sensitivity Coefficients by Region
- Total Sensitivity Coefficients by Nuclide
- Total Sensitivity Coefficients by Mixture
- Sensitivity Data Plot
- Problem Characterization
- Uncertainty Information

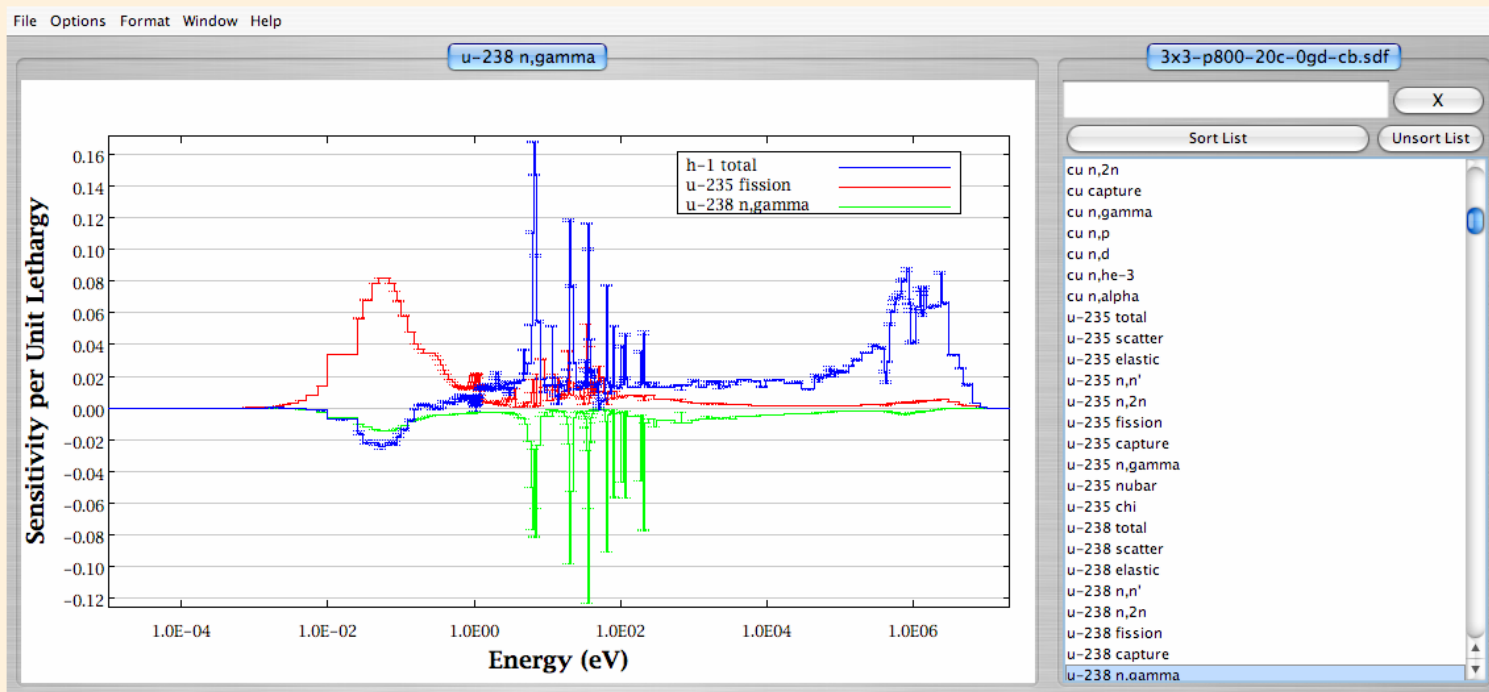


## SAMS - Sensitivity Data Plot u(2)f4 h/x=294



### Plot of Sensitivity Data

Double-click an item on right side of window to plot, or select multiple items and right click to plot.



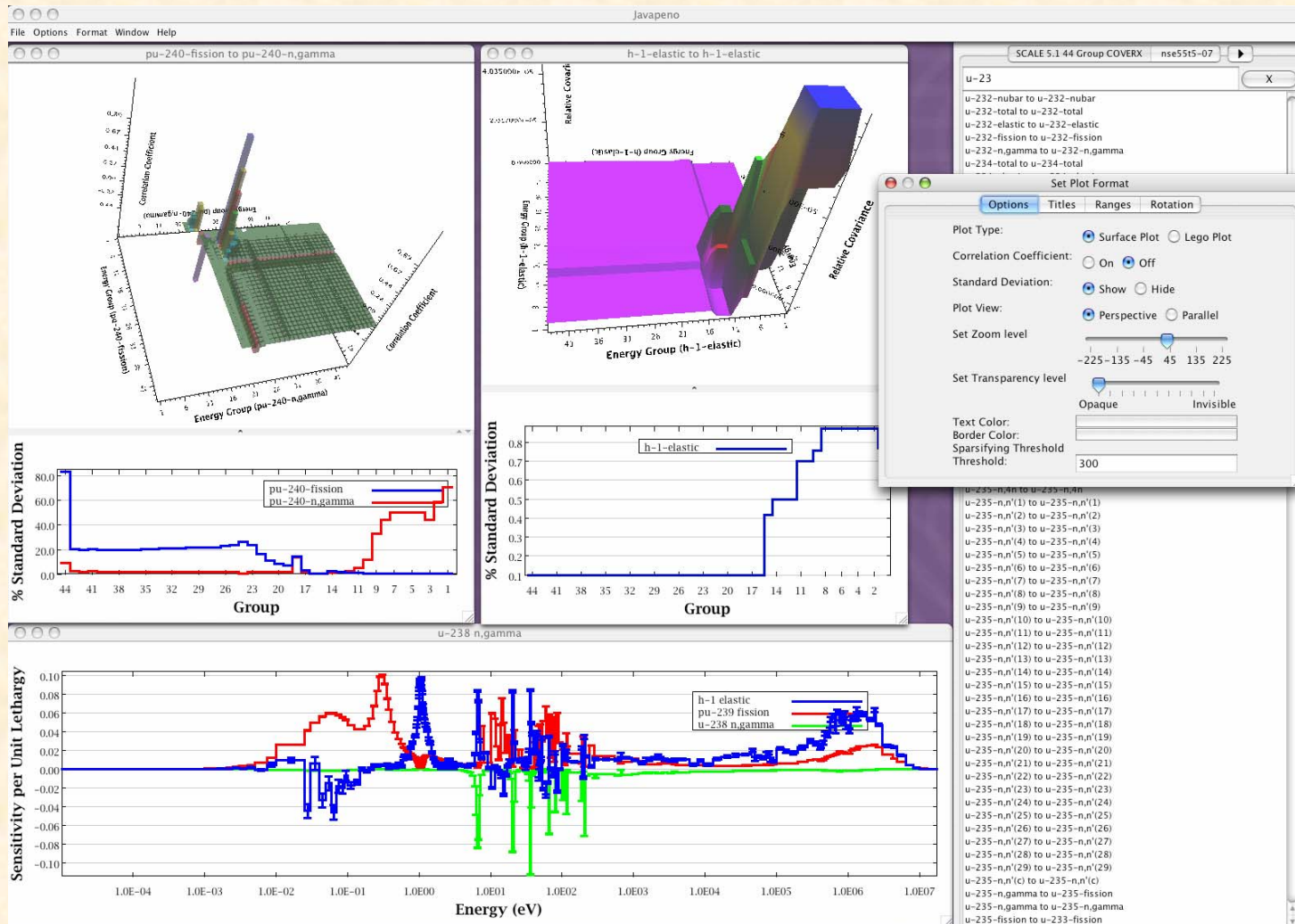




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Jazz Plots Especially Nice Output

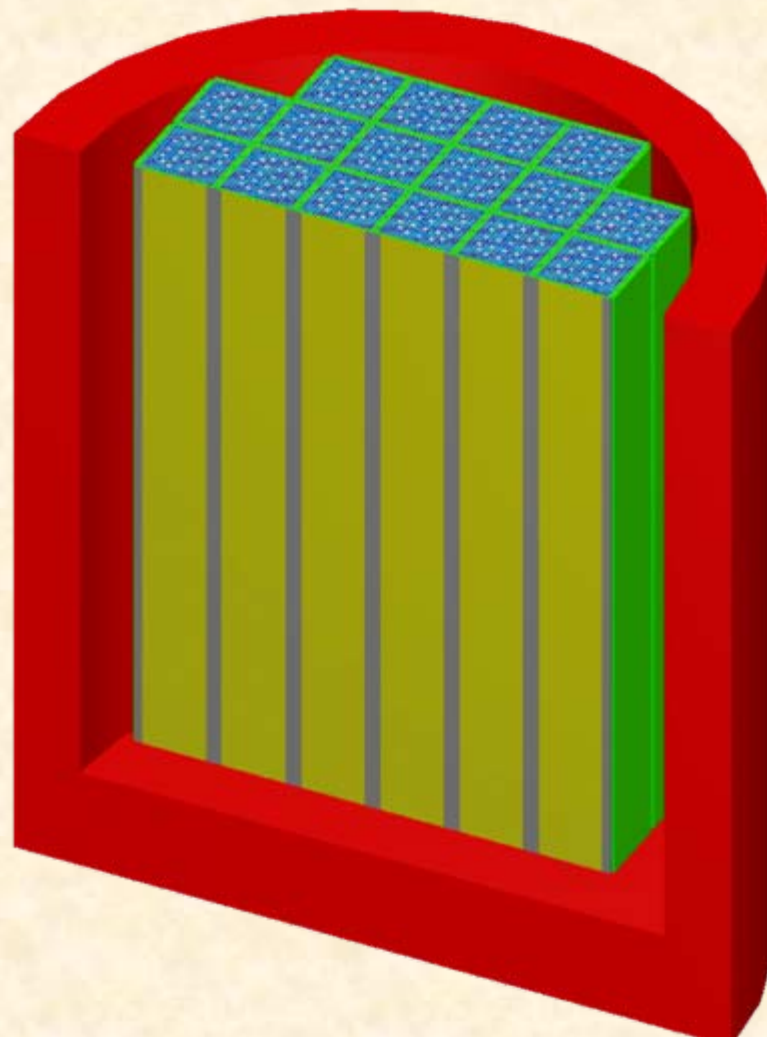






# Applications of TSUNAMI-3D to Complex Models

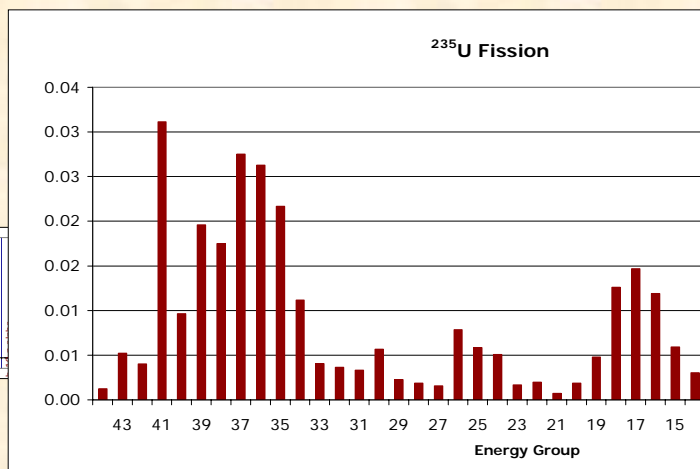
- **Burnup Credit Cask Model**
  - 32 PWR fuel assemblies in flooded cask
  - 18 axial burnup zones
  - Burned to 40 GWd/MTU; Cooled for 5 years
  - BORAL™ plates around each assembly
  - Cask filled with water
- **Commercial Reactor Criticals (CRC)**
  - Startup data from PWRs (Crystal River)
  - 1/2 core models
  - Each pin explicitly modeled with 18 axial zones
  - Sensitivity coefficients for ~47,000 nuclides, ~420,000 44-group profiles



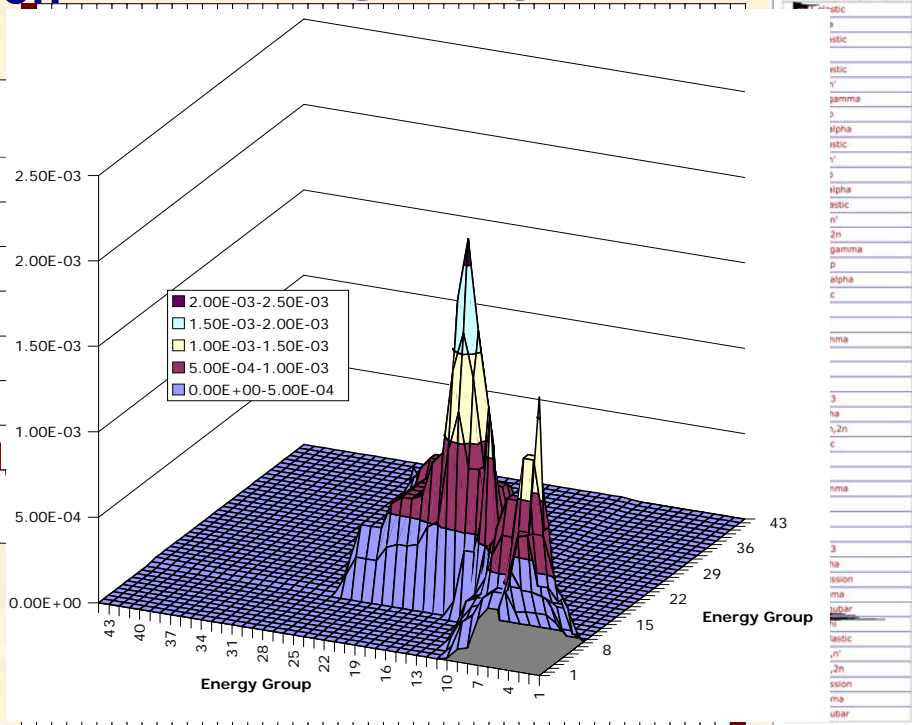


# Uncertainty Propagation

- Uncertainty in  $k_{\text{eff}}$  of a single system



$$\frac{\sum dk}{k d\Sigma}$$



$$\frac{\left( \frac{\Delta \Sigma}{\Sigma} \right)^2}{\Sigma} C_{\alpha\alpha}$$

$$= \sigma^2 C_{kk} \left( \frac{\Delta k}{k} \right)^2$$

$$S^T \frac{\sum dk}{k d\Sigma}$$



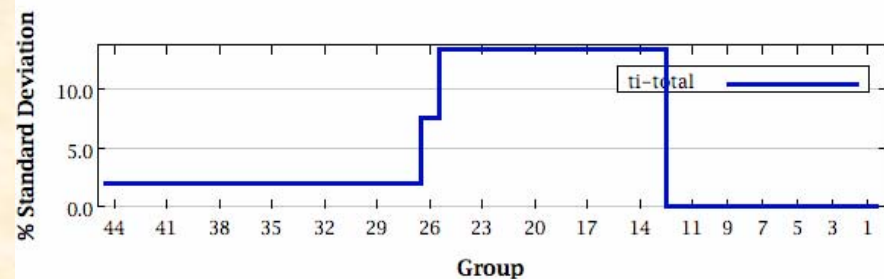
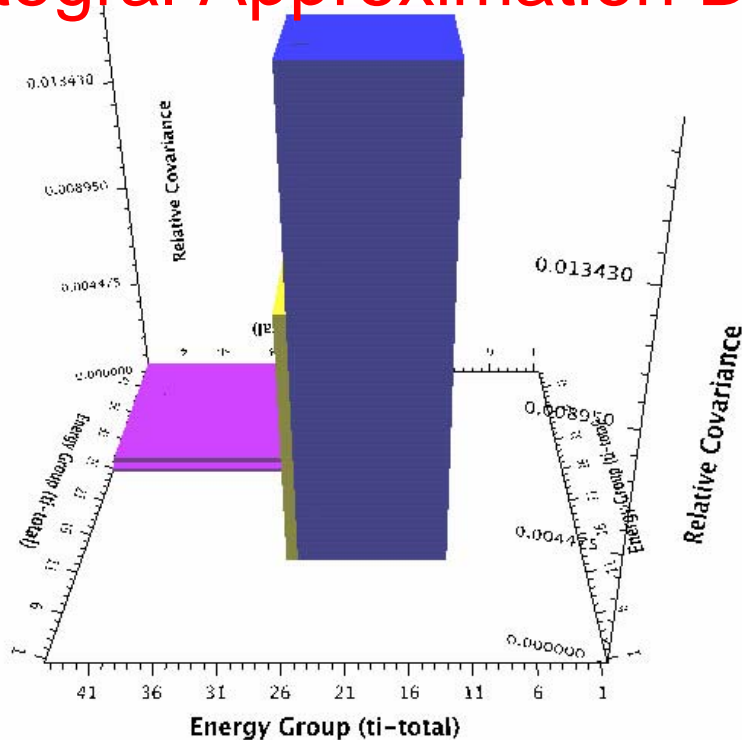
# Procedure to Generate Covariance Library for Applications

- Process all ENDF/B-VI covariances (*49 nuclides*)
- ENDF/B-V covariances for 1 nuclide ( $^{10}\text{B}$ )
- JENDL 3.3 covariances for 7 nuclides
- CENDL 2 covariance for 2 nuclides
- JEF 3.1 covariances for 1 nuclide
- Fission spectrum,  $\chi$ , data generated for 9 nuclides
- Approximate covariances of other missing nuclides by **integral measurement uncertainties** - Mughabghab data (*>250 nuclides*)
  - $\sigma_c$ ,  $\sigma_f$ ,  $\nu$  covariance for  $E < 0.5$  eV based thermal data uncertainty, with full correlation
  - $\sigma_c$ ,  $\sigma_f$  covariance for  $0.5 < E < 5\text{E}3$  eV based on resonance integral, with full correlation
  - $\sigma_s$  covariance for moderators based on uncertainty in potential cross section, fully correlated

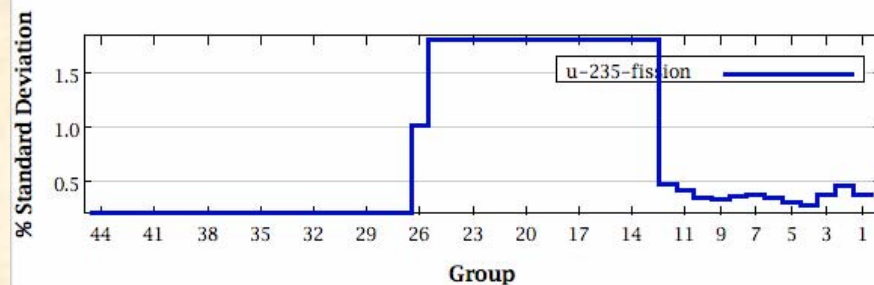
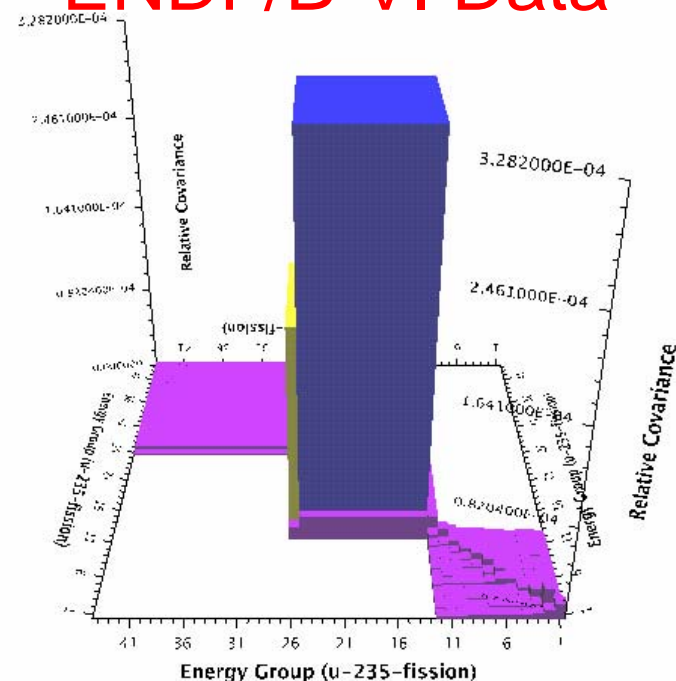


# Sample SCALE 5.1 Covariance Data

## Integral Approximation Data



## ENDF/B-VI Data



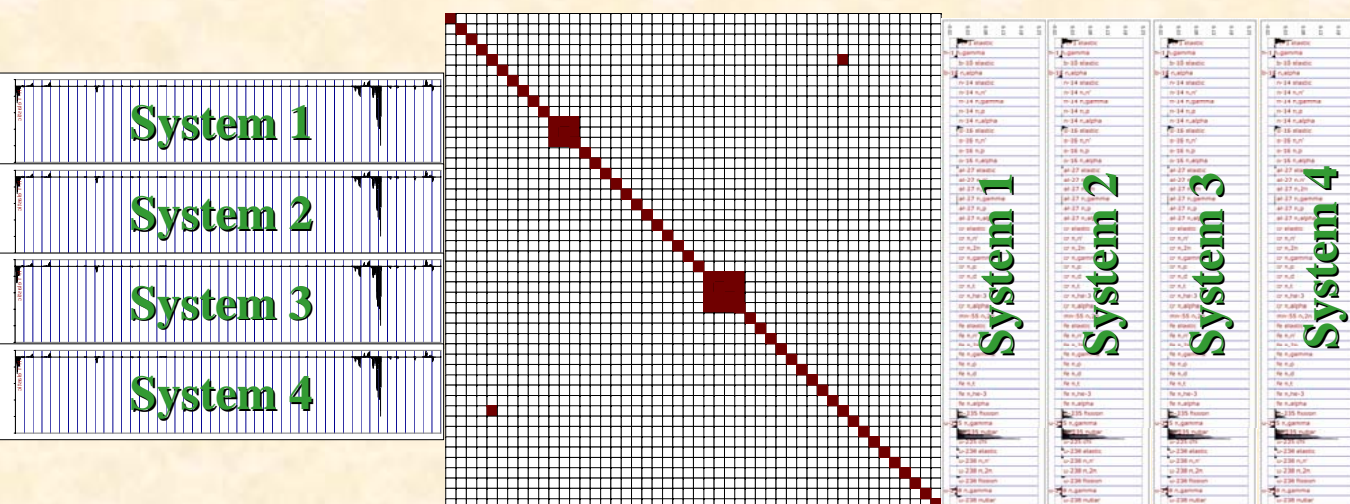




# Uncertainty Propagation (con't)

- Uncertainty in  $k_{\text{eff}}$  for multiple systems

Diagonal elements are variance in each system



$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11}^2 & \sigma_{12}^2 & \sigma_{13}^2 & \sigma_{14}^2 \\ \sigma_{21}^2 & \sigma_{22}^2 & \sigma_{23}^2 & \sigma_{24}^2 \\ \sigma_{31}^2 & \sigma_{32}^2 & \sigma_{33}^2 & \sigma_{34}^2 \\ \sigma_{41}^2 & \sigma_{42}^2 & \sigma_{43}^2 & \sigma_{44}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Off-diagonal elements are covariance between two systems

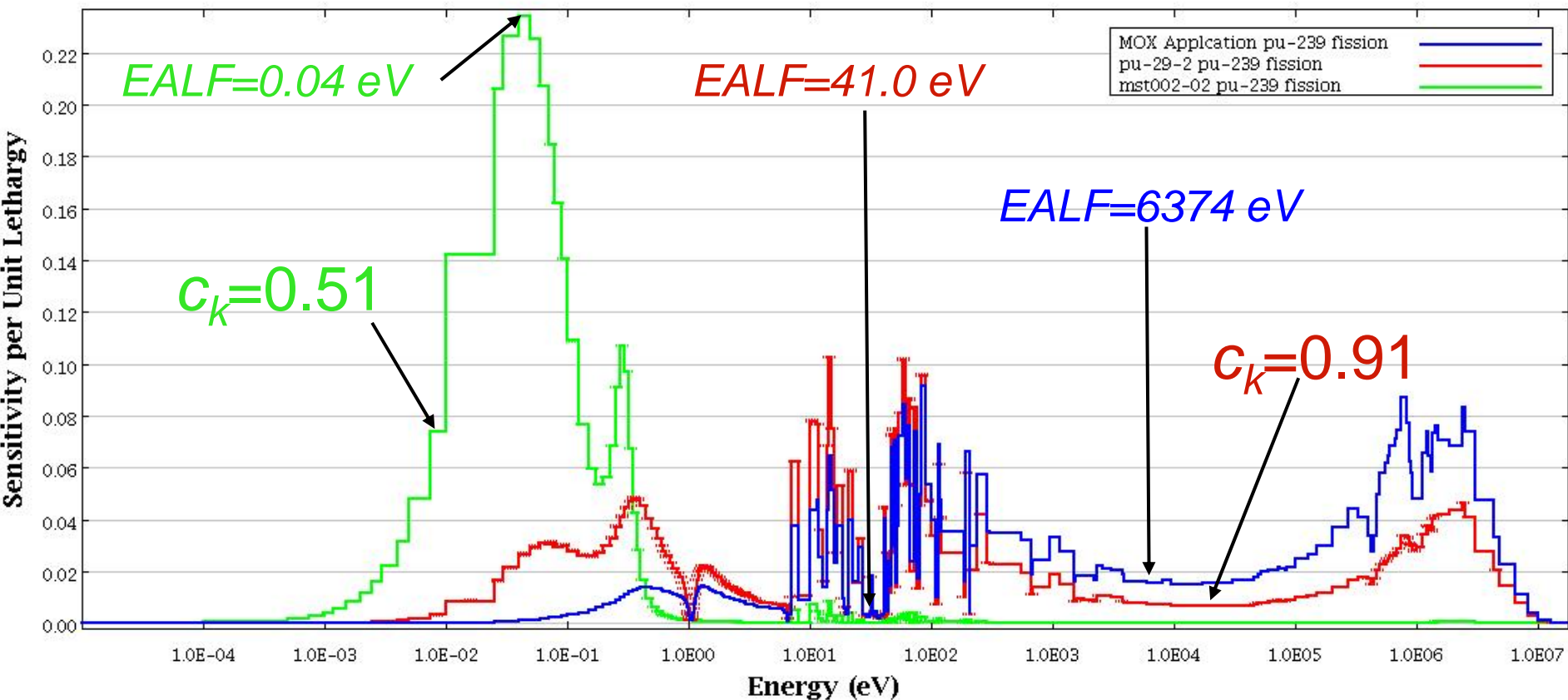
- Correlation coefficient between two systems:

$$c_k = \frac{\sigma_{21}^2}{\sqrt{\sigma_{11}^2} \sqrt{\sigma_{22}^2}}$$





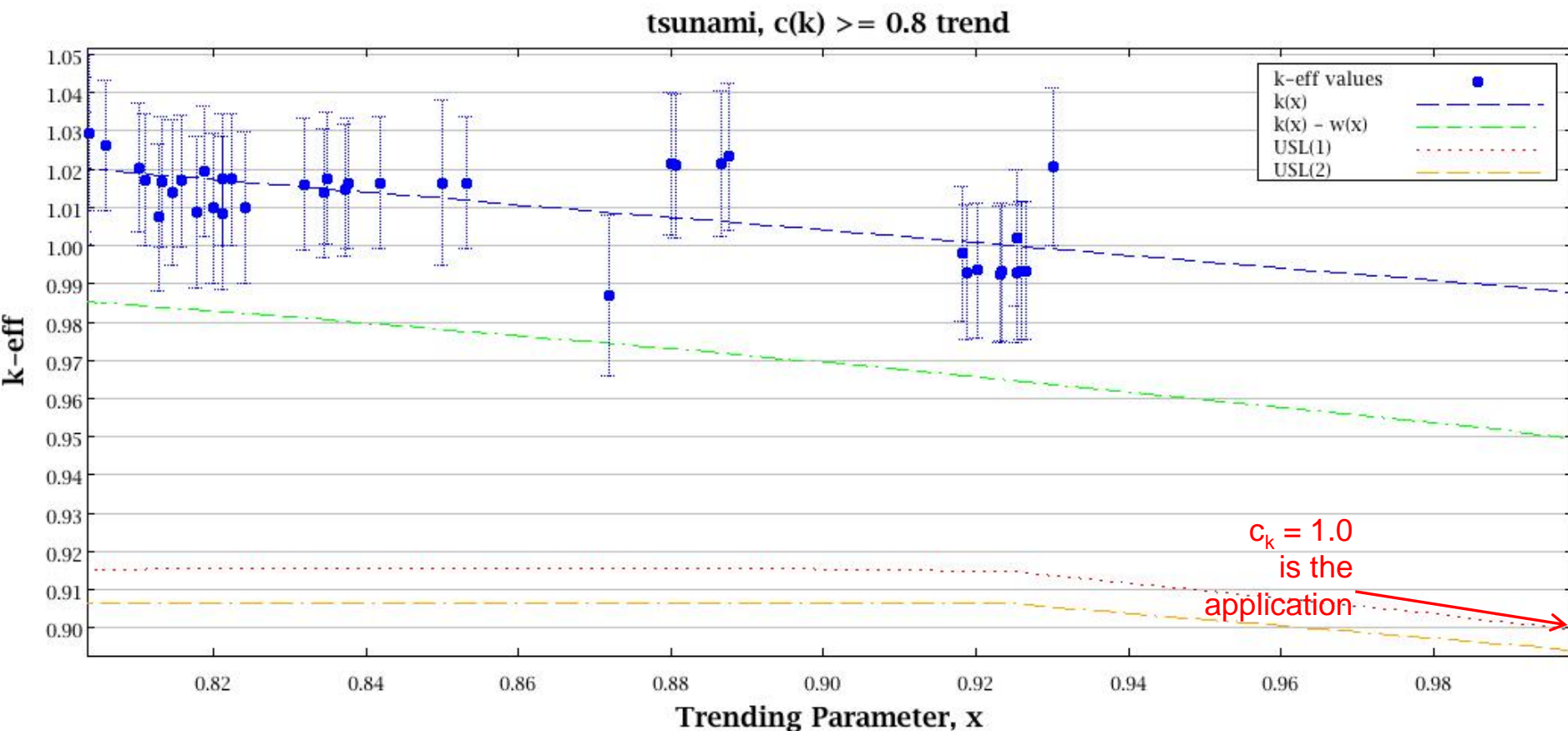
# $^{239}\text{Pu}$ Fission Sensitivity





# Trend with $c_k \geq 0.8$

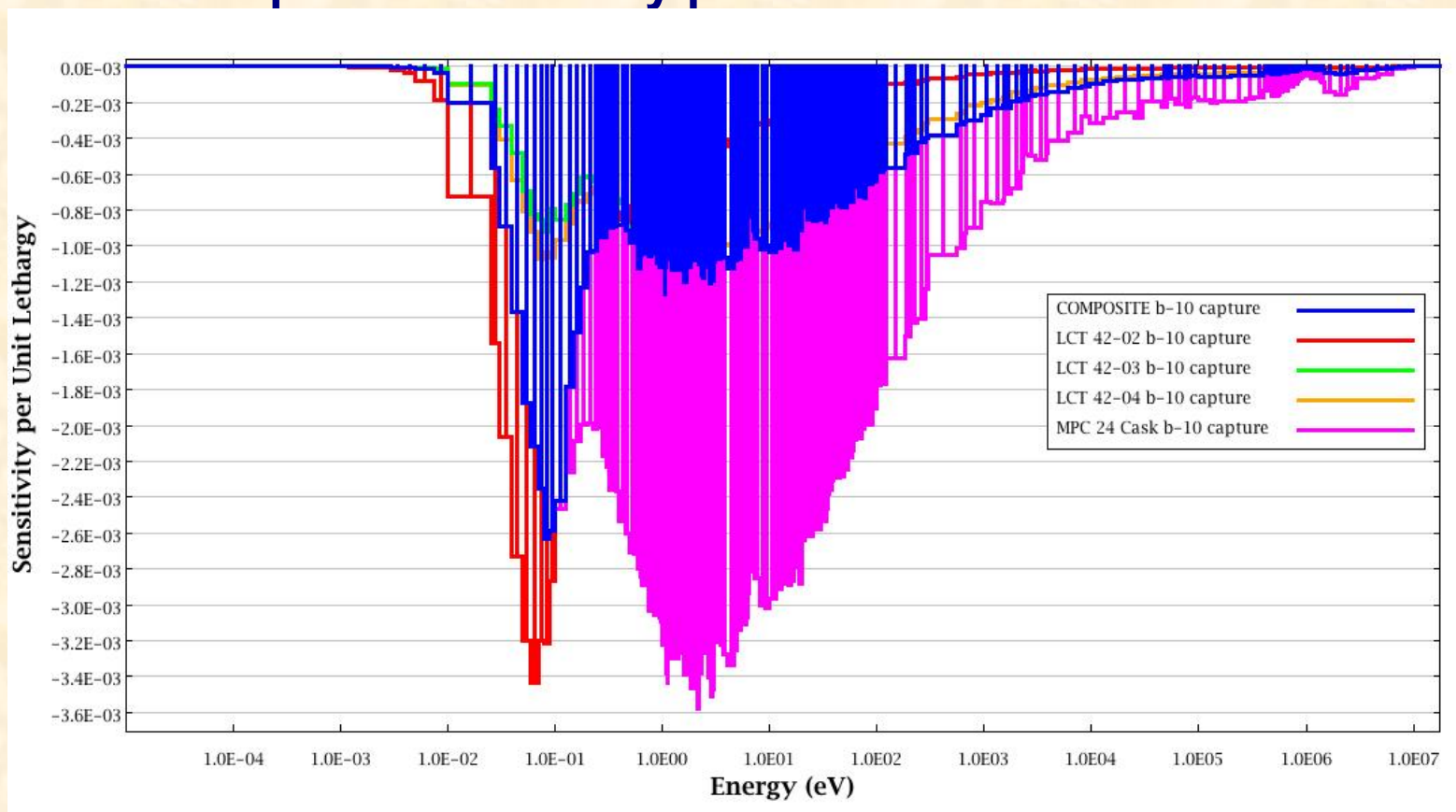
## USL = 0.90





# Composite Sensitivity Data

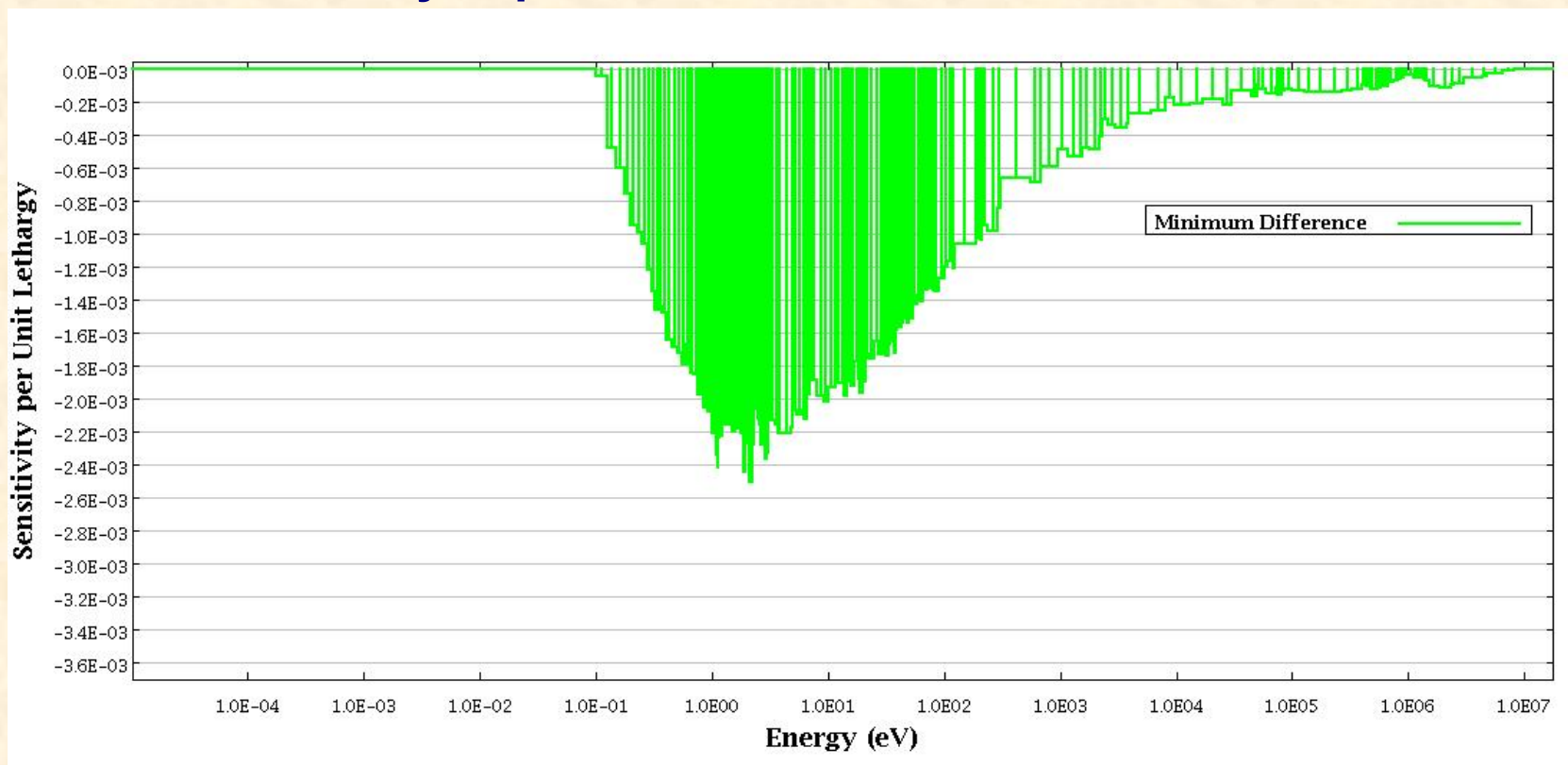
- Coverage produced by several experiments can be “built up” as a composite sensitivity profile.





# Minimum Differences

- Difference between sensitivity profiles for the application and the composite show portion of application data that is not covered by experiments.





# Penalty Assessment

- Penalty is an additional margin to subcriticality due to uncertainty in cross sections that are not covered by benchmarks
- Penalty can be assessed by propagating uncovered sensitivity data to  $k_{eff}$  through cross-section-covariance data.
- Calculation is similar  $k_{eff}$  uncertainty due to cross sections, but minimum differences ( $Z_a$ ) replace application sensitivities.

$$\Delta k_{eff} / k_{eff} = \sqrt{\mathbf{Z}_a \mathbf{C}_{\alpha\alpha} \mathbf{Z}_a^{\dagger}}$$





# Reduced uncertainties

Application Uncertainty  
0.77%

Covariance Matrix		% $\Delta k/k$
Nuclide-Reaction	Nuclide-Reaction	Due to this Matrix
$^{235}\text{U}$ nubar	$^{235}\text{U}$ nubar	$6.3800\text{E-}01 \pm 2.2348\text{E-}05$
$^{235}\text{U}$ n,gamma	$^{235}\text{U}$ n,gamma	$3.0069\text{E-}01 \pm 2.0102\text{E-}05$
$^{238}\text{U}$ n,gamma	$^{238}\text{U}$ n,gamma	$2.3836\text{E-}01 \pm 1.7811\text{E-}05$
$^{235}\text{U}$ fission	$^{235}\text{U}$ fission	$1.6262\text{E-}01 \pm 1.3586\text{E-}05$
$^1\text{H}$ elastic	$^1\text{H}$ elastic	$7.0789\text{E-}02 \pm 6.6674\text{E-}04$
$^1\text{H}$ n,gamma	$^1\text{H}$ n,gamma	$6.7436\text{E-}02 \pm 4.2071\text{E-}06$
Zr n,gamma	Zr n,gamma	$5.7816\text{E-}02 \pm 9.1843\text{E-}06$
$^{238}\text{U}$ fission	$^{238}\text{U}$ fission	$4.3381\text{E-}02 \pm 5.0644\text{E-}06$

Penalty Uncertainty  
(due to uncovered sensitivities)  
0.20%

Covariance Matrix		% $\Delta k/k$
Nuclide-Reaction	Nuclide-Reaction	Due to this Matrix
$^{235}\text{U}$ chi	$^{235}\text{U}$ chi	$1.7757\text{E-}01 \pm 2.2553\text{E-}05$
Zr n,gamma	Zr n,gamma	$5.7816\text{E-}02 \pm 9.1843\text{E-}06$
$^{235}\text{U}$ nubar	$^{235}\text{U}$ nubar	$5.6465\text{E-}02 \pm 6.6658\text{E-}06$
$^{238}\text{U}$ n,n'	$^{238}\text{U}$ n,n'	$2.8220\text{E-}02 \pm 1.6134\text{E-}04$
$^1\text{H}$ n,gamma	$^1\text{H}$ n,gamma	$2.7224\text{E-}02 \pm 4.3928\text{E-}06$
$^{235}\text{U}$ fission	$^{235}\text{U}$ fission	$1.7398\text{E-}02 \pm 6.9908\text{E-}06$
$^{16}\text{O}$ n,alpha	$^{16}\text{O}$ n,alpha	$1.2838\text{E-}02 \pm 1.2354\text{E-}05$
$^1\text{H}$ elastic	$^1\text{H}$ elastic	$8.3229\text{E-}03 \pm 2.0752\text{E-}03$



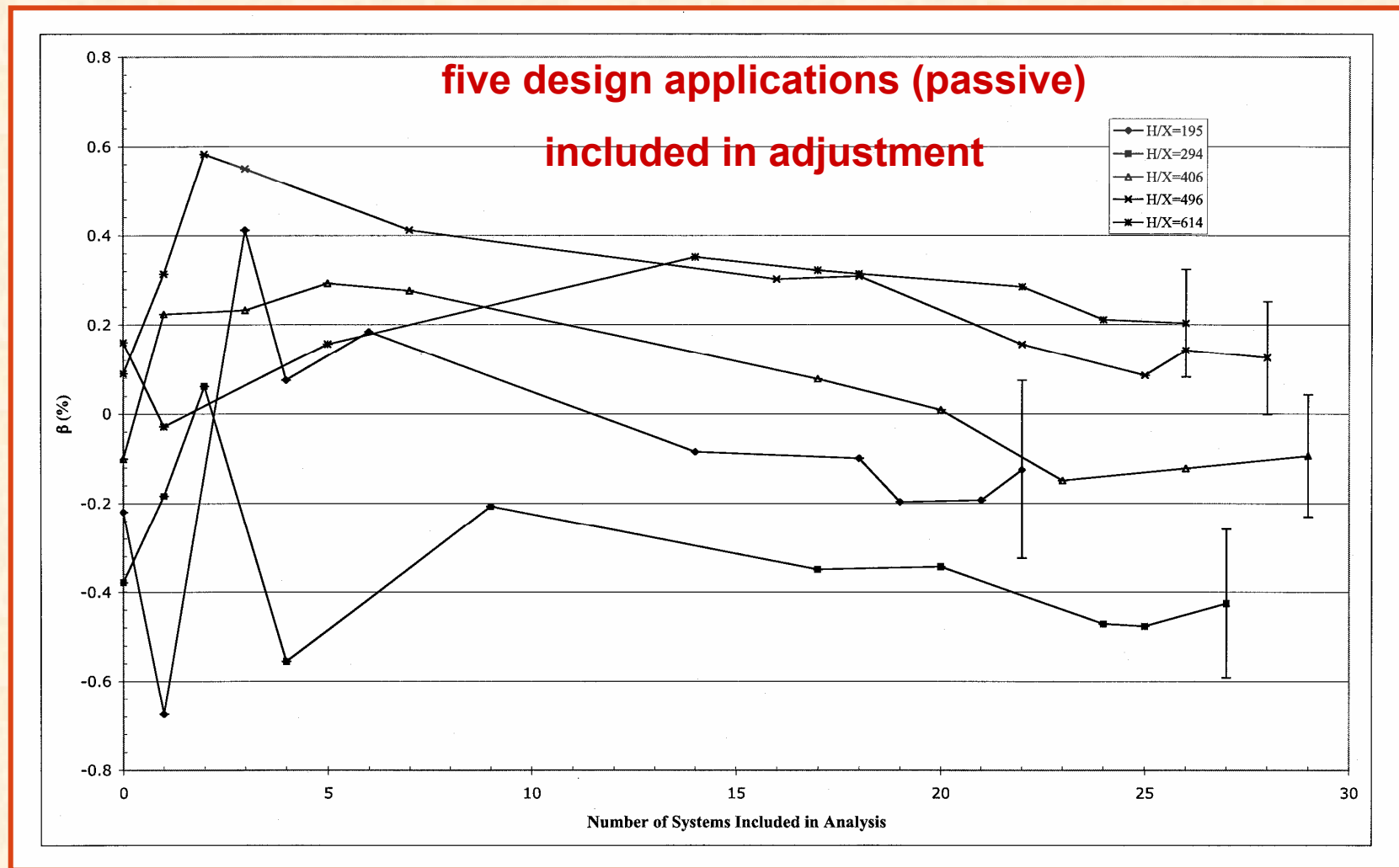
# TSURFER

Performs *Generalized Linear Least-Squares (GLLS)*  
Analysis of Design System and Benchmark Data Base

- **Systematic procedure to consolidate calculations with measured responses**
- **Computes “best” cross-section adjustments to minimize differences in computed and measured benchmark responses**
- **Propagation of data perturbations to the design system response provides estimate of computational bias and uncertainty**
- **Allows correlations in experimental uncertainty components; filtering of benchmarks based on similarity; edit of adjusted data and covariances**



# Bias Prediction Versus Number of Similar Systems ( $c_k > 0.9$ ) in GLLS Adjustment





# Reactivity Sensitivity and Uncertainty Analysis

$$S_{\rho,\alpha} = \frac{\alpha \partial \rho_{1 \rightarrow 2}}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2} \partial \alpha}$$

Eigenvalue Differencing Approach

$$S_{\rho,\alpha} = \left\{ \frac{\left\langle \Phi_1^* \left( \frac{\alpha \partial \mathcal{L}_1}{\partial \alpha} - \lambda_1 \frac{\alpha \partial \mathcal{P}_1}{\partial \alpha} \right) \Phi_1 \right\rangle}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2} \left\langle \Phi_1^* P_1 \Phi_1 \right\rangle} - \frac{\left\langle \Phi_2^* \left( \frac{\alpha \partial \mathcal{L}_2}{\partial \alpha} - \lambda_2 \frac{\alpha \partial \mathcal{P}_2}{\partial \alpha} \right) \Phi_2 \right\rangle}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2} \left\langle \Phi_2^* P_2 \Phi_2 \right\rangle} \right\}$$

Uncertainty in  
Reactivity

$$\sigma_{\rho}^2 = \left( \frac{\lambda_1 \sigma_{\lambda_1}}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\lambda_2 \sigma_{\lambda_2}}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2}} \right)^2 - 2 \frac{\sigma_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2}}{\sigma_{\lambda_1} \sigma_{\lambda_2}} \left( \frac{\lambda_1 \sigma_{\lambda_1}}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2}} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda_2 \sigma_{\lambda_2}}{\rho_{1 \rightarrow 2}} \right)$$



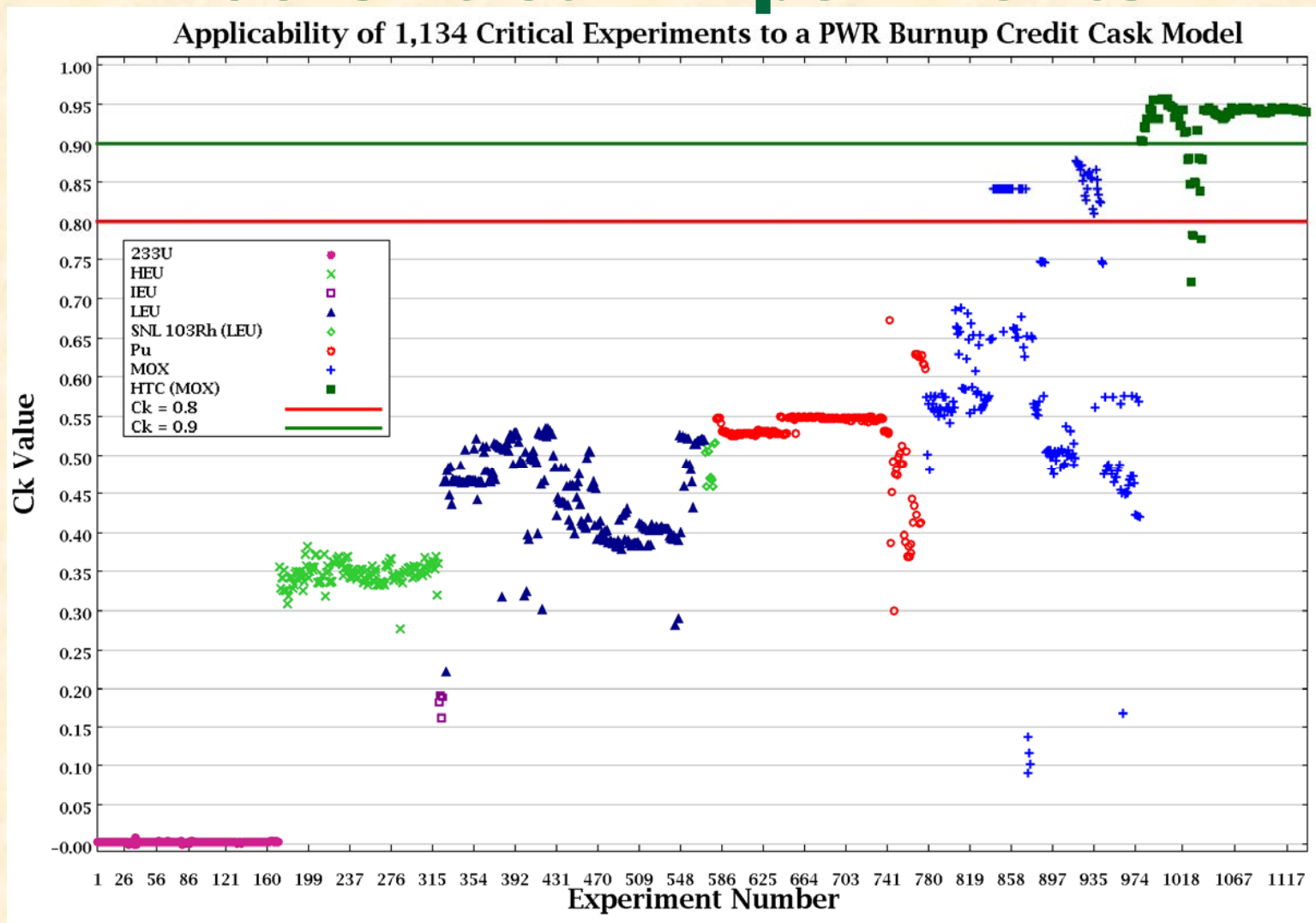
# Practical Uses of TSUNAMI

- **Validation/Experiment Applicability Studies**
  - Yucca mountain, Burnup credit, MOX fresh fuel, MOX fuel fabrication facility, Poisoned basket studies
- **Experiment Design Optimization**
  - >5 wt-% fuel
    - NERI with Areva, Sandia National Laboratories, and University of Florida
    - 7% Experiments to be assembled at SNL January 2007
  - Additional >5% experiment design work for Toshiba
  - Space Nuclear Power - General Physics Experiments
- **Atomic Energy of Canada, Limited - ACR-1000 Code Validation**



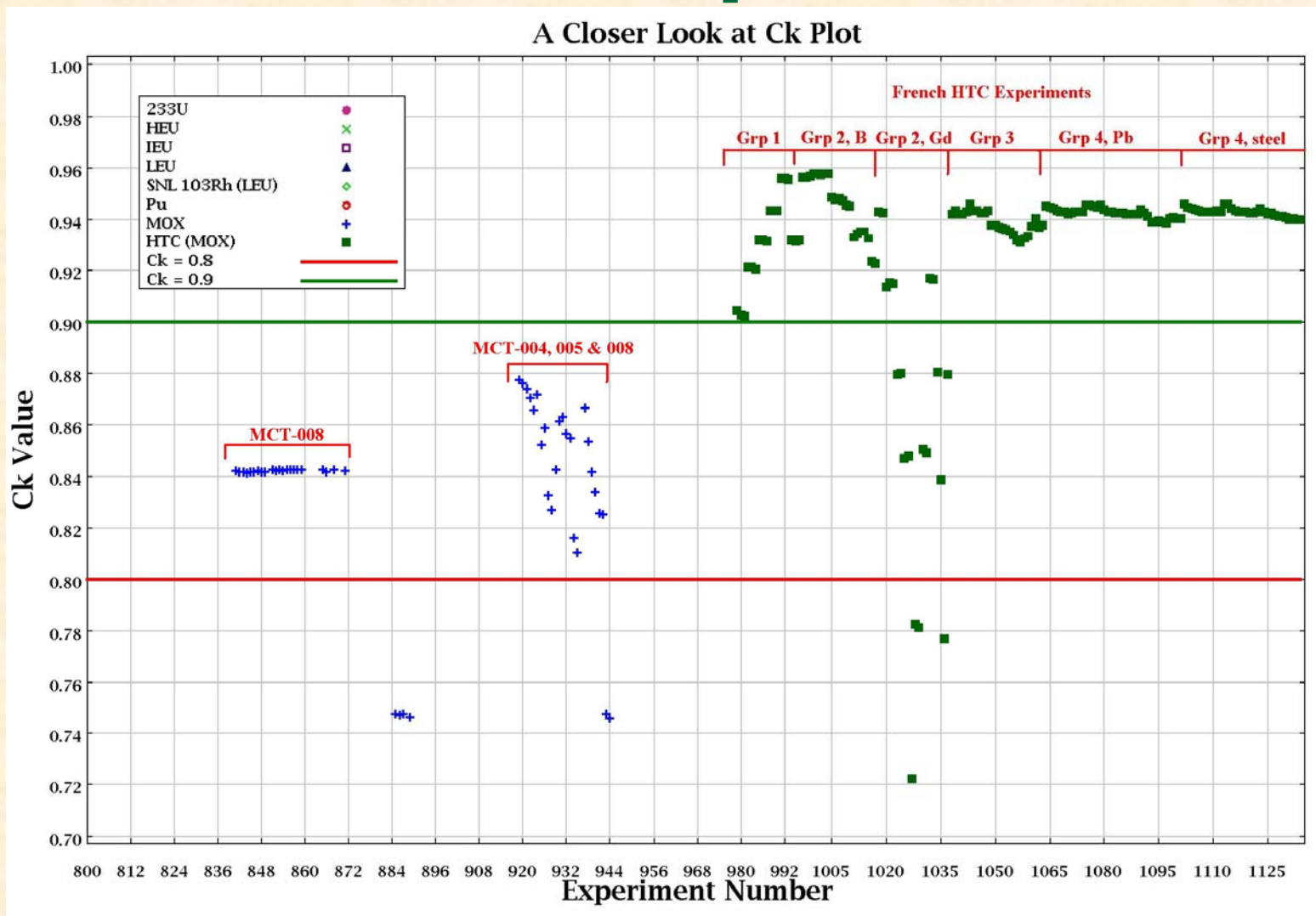


# Burnup Credit: $c_k$ for GBC-32 with >1100 Critical Experiments



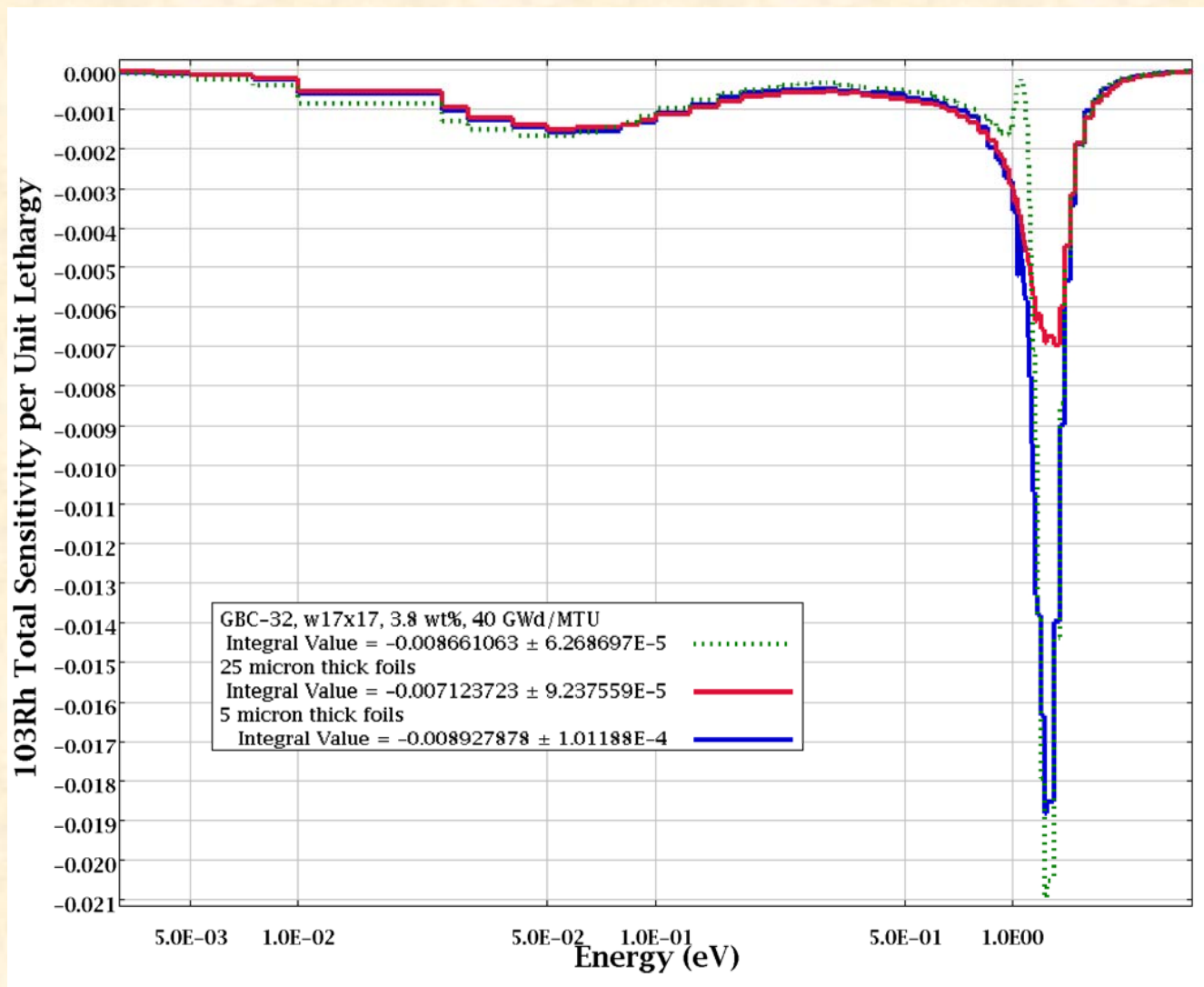


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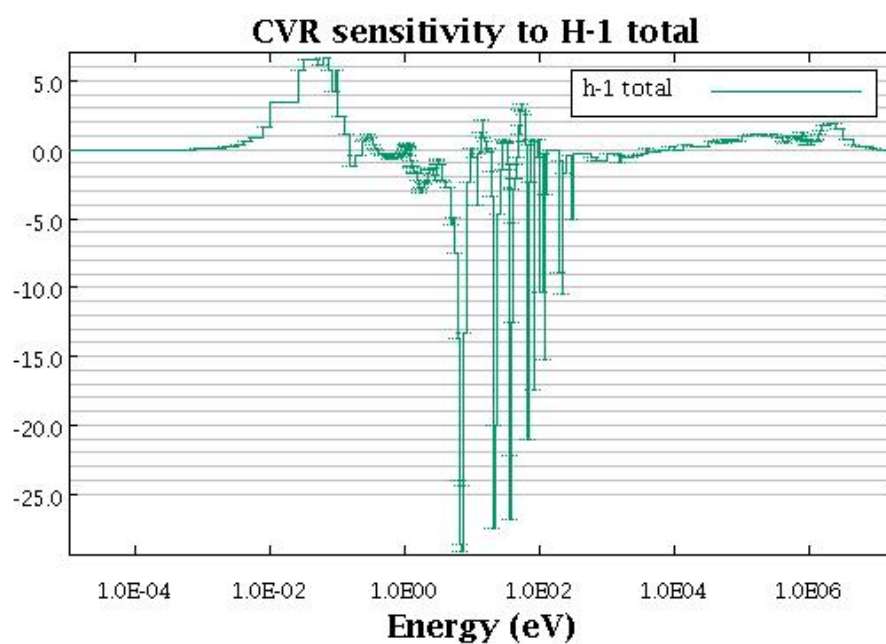
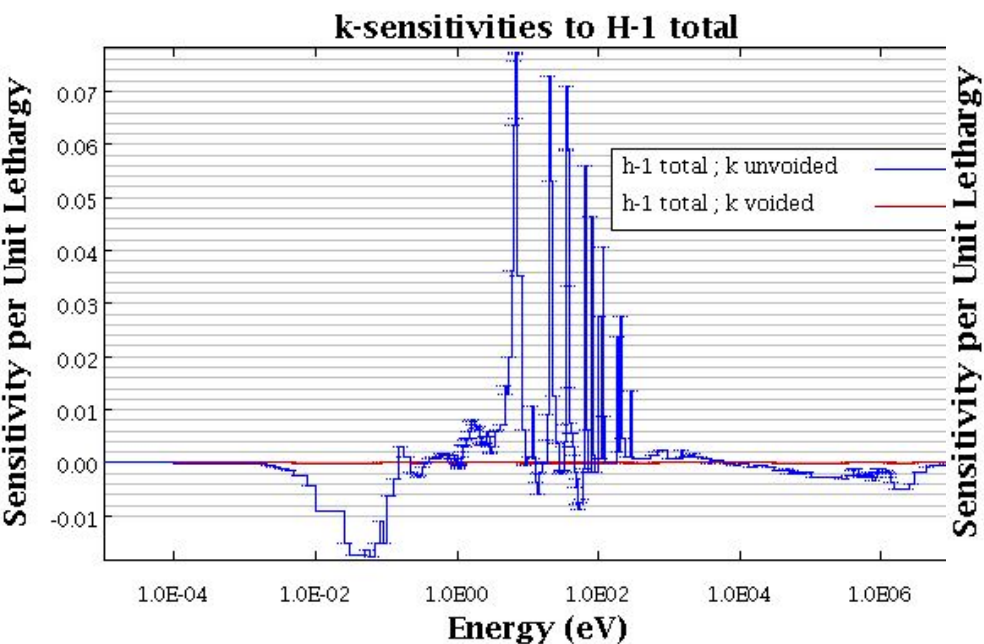
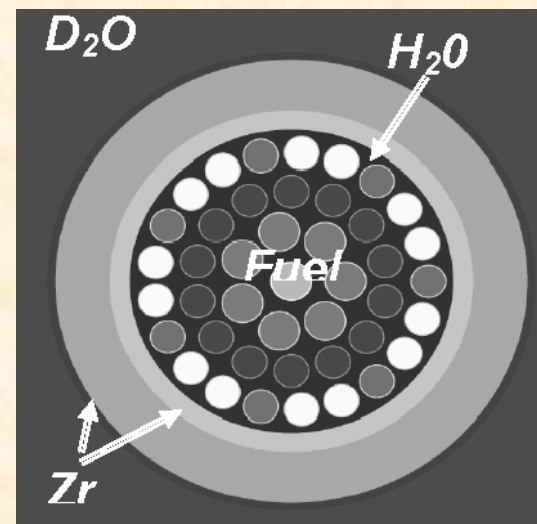


# Burnup Credit: Rh-103 Sensitivity from SNL BUCCX and GBC-32 Cask





# Application to ACR-700 CVR





# ACR-700 Uncertainties

**TABLE V**  
**Response Uncertainties Due to Available Nuclear Data Covariances**

<b>Response</b>	<b>Relative Standard Deviation (%)</b>
<b>Multiplication factor for state 1</b>	<b>0.80</b>
<b>Multiplication factor for state 2</b>	<b>0.84</b>
<b>Coolant void reactivity (CVR)</b>	<b>49.8</b>





# ORNL Production-Level S/U Capabilities

- Publicly released TSUNAMI tools in SCALE 5.0
- Specifically mentioned in NRC's ISG-10 for criticality code validation
- TSUNAMI training for criticality code validation
  - 8 multiday classes taught since 2004, ~150 participants
  - 6-hour tutorial presented at 2004 ANS annual meeting
  - Next training course in November 2006



# Possible additions to TSUNAMI

- 2D Deterministic Eigenvalue Capability
- Revitalization of ORNL Generalized Perturbation Theory Capabilities for Reactor Physics Responses
  - 1D, 2D, 3D deterministic (refreshed)
  - 3D Monte Carlo (new R&D required)
- Resonance self-shielding implicit effect for cell homogenization and double-heterogeneity calculations
- 2D continuous energy deterministic code for resonance self shielding
- Perturbation theory for continuous energy Monte Carlo calculations
- Porting codes to large-scale computers

